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On Feb. 4, 2002

TOWNSEND and TOWNSEND and CREW LLP

By: Kathryn A. DeGhelt

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

MEARES and CHMURA

Application No.: 09/671,953

Filed: September 27, 2000

For: ENGINEERING ANTIBODIES
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Examiner: Larry R. Helms

Art Unit: 1642

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed December 10, 2001,
Applicants elect Group I, with traverse, drawn to claims 1-3, 10-11, 14-25, and 30-38.

Applicants petition to extend the period for filing a response in the above-
identified application for one month. A Fee Transmittal authorizing the Commissioner to
charge the petition fee to our deposit account is attached.

Please amend this application as set forth below.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 4-9, 12-13, and 26-29 without prejudice.

REMARKS

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 1-41 are pending. Claims 1-41 are subject to a restriction requirement.

Claims 1-3, 10-11, 14-25, and 30-38 are elected with traverse.